

# Montana Land Cover Atlas

## 4215 Western Larch

### DOMINANT SPECIES

Western Larch (*Larix occidentalis*)



### DESCRIPTION

Conifer forest dominated by western larch (*Larix occidentalis*) with 20-100% cover. Associated shrub species: huckleberry (*Vaccinium spp.*), shiny-leaf spirea (*Spiraea betulifolia*), thimbleberry (*Rubus parviflorum*), twin flower (*Linnaea borealis*).

Associated grass and forb species: arnica (*Arnica spp.*), pinegrass (*Calamagrostis rubescens*).

### TOTAL AREA

90,437 hectares

13,652 patches

0.24 % of state

### ELEVATION

635 - 2236 m range

1376 m mean

### STATE RANGE

Occurs only in western Montana in moist sites. Generally limited to north, east or northwest aspects.

